



"After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were

astounded at his understanding and his answers." As we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family, this Gospel exposes us to a strange tension. While this family is one we can look to for an example, they are not quite the same family unit as everyone else. There is an otherness to Jesus, something profound. And yet, perhaps on second thought, are our families so different?

When Mary and Joseph encountered Jesus in the temple, "they were astonished." But at what? Mary's response is surprised. They're not astonished that Jesus is preaching in a place for respected teachers. They're not astonished that their son has captured the attention of the wisest men of the time period. They're astonished at his seemingly disobedient behavior! "Son, why have you done this to us? Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." All our children have an "otherness" about them, something that makes them unique and different. They are distinctly not "me." What will our own children become? What temple will they wander off to? Who will they astound?



Today's Homily

Our liturgy today encourages us to think about how we might grow in our faith and what help we might seek to deepen our relationship with God.



Weekly Scripture Passage for Next Weekend

January 5th & January 6th, 2018

The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60:1-6 (20ABC)

Psalms 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

Scripture readings are held each **Wednesday after 8am Mass in the Rectory.** These readings help us to prepare for the upcoming Sunday's Gospel.

Prayers of the Faithful

Ron, Deanne MacDonald,

"Rosebud" Bouquet

Solemnity of Mary

Monday, December 31st ~ New Year's Eve

4:30pm Adoration

5:00pm Mass

Tuesday, January 1st ~ 9:00am New Year's Day Mass

Feast of Epiphany

Saturday, January 5th ~ 5:00pm Mass

Sunday, January 6th ~ 8:00 & 10:30am Masses



Meeting January 3rd, 2019 @ 7:00pm in the Parish Hall.



A Huge Thank you goes out to all who helped make our church festive for this Christmas season and especially to **Ray and Ann Zywczyński (Country Pine Farms)** for their donation of

the two (2) Christmas trees for the Altar. Also, a **very special thank you** goes out to the Liturgy Committee & Altar & Rosary Society for making the beautiful wreaths and Jim & Heather Zywczyński for donating the supplies.



Fully Alive Adoration

Friday, January 4th, 2019

Stop into Church ANYTIME

between 6:30 – 8:00pm – stay for 10 minutes, half an hour or the whole

time, the invitation is to everyone, young

and old alike. Spend some time in the presence of Jesus – enjoy

a meditative song or reflection, and begin your weekend by

leaving your burdens and soaking up the Peace and Love that

only Jesus can give!



Donuts & Coffee

Please join us on Sunday, January

6th in the Parish Hall for

Coffee & Donuts after the

8:00am & 10:30am Masses.

All are Welcome!



Life After Loss

Just a friendly reminder, please join us in the Parish Library Sunday, January 6th from 1 to 3 to discuss life after loss. You can share your experience, strength and hope (or just listen if you prefer).

Gift to God:

Collection Week Of: 12/23/2018

\$2348 Regular Collection,

\$20 Religious Education,

\$26 Fuel

Attendance Week Of: 12/23/2018

Saturday Mass 5pm ~ 53

Sunday Mass 8am ~ 89

Sunday Mass 10:30am ~ 73

Total = 215

Counters for January 6th – P

September-November

YTD Collections \$38,645

YTD Budget \$38,750

YTD Variance (\$105)



Mass Schedule & Intentions for the Week

M – Memorial A – Anniversary L –Living

Monday, December 31st

5:00pm Frank Skaper – **M**

(Stephen & Valerie Horvath)

Tuesday, January 1st

9am Ann Marie Kennick – **L**

(Kennick Family)

Wednesday, January 2nd

8am Valerie Klimaszewski

(Klimaszewski Family)

Thursday, January 3rd

8am Members of the Golden Treasury of

Masses*

Friday, January 4th

8am All Souls

Saturday, January 5th

5pm Fr. Matt and the Wendzikowski Family

Sunday, January 6th

8am Richard Kasprzyk

(Mike & Lori Kasprzyk)

10:30am Roseann Clark – **M**

(Joe & Cate Youngers)

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 5th

5pm Walkowiak Boys

Sunday, January 6th

8am Help Needed

10:30am Emily & Ian

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 5th

5pm N Hack & C Roth

Sunday, January 6th

8am J Montgomery & C Kramer

10:30am S Youngers

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 5th

5pm Ed Russell

Sunday, January 6th

8am Bill Franczak

10:30am Mary Ruminski

SACRISTAN SCHEDULE

Sat/Sun January 5th – January 6th

•5pm K Orlando • 8am S Franczak • 10:30am K Macy